#### <u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 32-42 remain in the present application. Claims 23-31 and 43-46 are cancelled herein. Applicant respectfully requests further examination and reconsideration of the rejections based on the arguments set forth below.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for indicating that Claims 32-42 are allowed.

## Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §101

Claims 23-31 and 43-46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101. Claims 23-31 and 43-46 are cancelled herein, and therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that a discussion of this rejection is moot.

# Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 43-46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by United States Patent Number 5,850,218 to LaJoie et al. (hereafter referred to as "LaJoie"). Claims 43-46 are cancelled herein, and therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that a discussion of this rejection is moot.

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## CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 32-42 are in condition for allowance and Applicant earnestly solicits such action from the Examiner.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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